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In re Application of

:

J. C. Zhao et al

et al

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Group Art Unit: 1775

Application No. ⁰⁹~~08~~/681,821

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Examiner: J. McNeil

Filed: June 11, 2001

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Response to Paper No. 7

For Diffusion Barrier Coatings, and
Related Articles and Processes

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Amendment: 26 pages. *(Including Certificate of mailing)*

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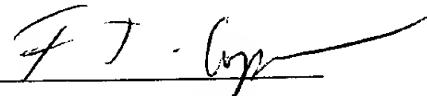
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AMENDMENT B

CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUS- LY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA	RATE		FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS: 48	minus	45	=	3	x 18.00	=	\$54.00
INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS: 8	minus	8	=	0	x 84.00	=	\$00.00
TOTAL FEE							\$54.00

Respectfully submitted,



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AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003, please enter the following amendment to the application, and consider the accompanying remarks.

Please cancel claims 16 and 17, without prejudice.

Please amend the claims, as follows:

1. (twice amended) A diffusion barrier coating, comprising:

(a) about 15 atom % to about 95 atom % chromium;

and

(b) about 15 atom % to about 60 atom % rhenium.